

# FRIDAY NIGHT FACTS

OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES



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Happy New Year! I hope that 2007 has started in a positive way for you and your family. This year promises to bring many exciting opportunities. The Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives is looking forward to working with even more organizations and individuals across the state to provide volunteer opportunities, assist with organizational capacity building and to encourage positive partnerships that benefit our Hoosier communities. Throughout the year, we plan to highlight some of the success stories we have learned about and that serve as best practices for all. If you have an example you want us to share, let us know. Have a great January!!!

### ***If you missed the 2006 Governor's Conference...***

Last year's "Funding Solutions" track featured expert presenters and four breakout sessions designed to assist organizations interested in building capacity through fundraising. Topics included grant writing, planning special events, collaboration, and a Q & A panel discussion with several local funders. The track was very well received. Attendance exceeded 600, and the overall evaluation score for the track was 4.115 out of a possible 5.0. Evaluation comments revealed that attendees were especially pleased with the knowledge and qualifications of the presenters and the ability to have their questions addressed.

### ***Don't miss at the 2007 Conference...***

We've expanded the track this year to not only cover fundraising, but to encompass several other aspects of capacity-building as well. In addition to grant-writing and identifying potential funders, this year's track will cover topics such as performance measurement, accountability, online fundraising, board development, outcomes measurement, case studies, and organizational leadership! This year's presenters include Bill Stanczykiewicz, President of the Indiana Youth Institute; and Family Christian Development Center, winner of the 2006 Indiana Achievement Award for Small Division Sustainability! To view breakout session descriptions for the 2007 Governor's Conference, go to [www.ofbci.IN.gov/conference](http://www.ofbci.IN.gov/conference).



Early Bird  
Registration  
Deadline is  
February 9th!

### ICCSV Welcomes New Commissioners

The Indiana Commission on Community Service and Volunteerism (ICCSV) is comprised of 20 Commissioners, who are community leaders with expertise in areas such as education, public safety, human services, volunteer activities, business/labor, and government. The role of the Commission is to advocate, review, and adjust the state's position on issues related to the community service and volunteer sectors. Several committees assist the governing body in accomplishing its work: Board Development, Marketing, Program, Resource Development and Volunteer.

Congratulations to the following newly appointed commissioners: **Brian Buhle** (Teamsters Local 135); **Eric Butler** (Ball State University); **Aleeah Livengood** (Purdue University); **Dr. Leo McCarthy** (IUPUI); and **Adam Shoemaker** (Huntington University). The following two commissioners have been re-appointed by Governor Daniels and have been asked to serve an additional three years: **Jackie McCracken** (IUPUI) and **Marty Moore** (The Moore Foundation).

## Volunteers needed for these MLK Day Service Projects

### *Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Central Indiana*

**When:** January 15-16, 2007

**Where:** Boys and Girls Club of Bloomington, Bloomington, IN

Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Boys and Girls Club will hold a Diversity Fair for children on January 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will assist children with games, crafts, activities and a service learning component, all focused on providing children with opportunities to learn about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., ethnicity and diversity. To volunteer, visit [www.mlkday.gov](http://www.mlkday.gov).

### *The Children's Museum*

**When:** January 15, 2007

**Where:** The Children's Museum, Indianapolis, IN

**Contact:** 317-334-3322

The Children's Museum will offer free admission and will be teaching about the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr, including oral histories and images of the Civil Rights movement. For more information on volunteering, visit <http://www.childrensmuseum.org/volunteer/>.

### *Miami County Schools*

**When:** January 12, 2007

**Contact:** Richard Fullmer, 765-472-1979

Volunteers from Peru Community Schools, Maconaquah School Corporation, North Miami Community Schools, Oak Hill United School Corporation and Miami County YMCA will read stories that emphasize diversity and lead discussions on how they relate to the teachings of Dr. King at schools throughout Miami County.

### *Indiana State University*

**When:** January 15, 2007

**Where:** Indiana State University, Dede III

**Contact:** Donna Isbell, 237-2334 or [disbell@indstate.edu](mailto:disbell@indstate.edu)

Students and staff from ISU will join AmeriCorps members and community members in volunteering at the 14th and Chestnut Community Center, Ryves Hall, Terre Haute Children's Museum, and the Lighthouse Mission. Volunteers will meet at 9:00 AM on Jan. 15 at Dede III to sign up.



## Networking Opportunity



The Minority and Women's Business Enterprises Division is providing a networking opportunity to connect Casino, University, State Agency Procurement Agents, and Prime Contractors with Minority and Women's Businesses. This power networking event will be held on **Thursday, February 8, 2007, from 10 AM to 2 PM**, at the Indiana Government Center South Conference Center (1<sup>st</sup> floor), 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis. For more information, visit [www.in.gov/idoa/mwbe](http://www.in.gov/idoa/mwbe) (click on the MWBE calendar link). To register, visit <http://www.in.gov/confreg/> or contact Margie Chavez at 317-233-6607, or [mchavez@idoa.in.gov](mailto:mchavez@idoa.in.gov).

## Grant Opportunity

**Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Child Abuse Enforcement Assistance Program, Justice Department**

**SUMMARY:** The primary purpose of the Rural Program is to enhance the safety of victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and child victimization by supporting projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural jurisdictions. OVC welcomes applications that propose innovative solutions for achieving this goal. The Rural Program challenges victim advocates, law enforcement officers, pre-trial service personnel, prosecutors, judges and other court personnel, probation and parole officers, and faith- and/or community-based leaders to collaborate to overcome the problem of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking and child victimization and to ensure that victim safety is paramount in providing services to victims and their children.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments; State governments; County governments; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized).

**DUE DATE:** Letters of intent are due January 30, 2007; the application deadline is February 15, 2007.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Office on Violence Against Women, 202-307-6026 or visit the following websites: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=11944>  
[http://www.usdoj.gov/ovw/docs/rural\\_2007.pdf](http://www.usdoj.gov/ovw/docs/rural_2007.pdf)



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